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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In reply to the Office Action of September 16, 2002, the period for reply having been extended to January 16, 2003, by the accompanying petition for a one-month extension of time and fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 22 and 23 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend claims 18, 24, 26, 28, and 30-34 as follows:

18. (Amended) A topical composition comprising an aqueous gel which comprises a hydrophilic gelling material, wherein said gel has rheological properties comprising:

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